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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a five-month extension of time to respond to the September 24, 2002 Notice of Restriction Requirements filed in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before March 24, 2003. A check in the amount of \$1,970.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 17810-705 (CTI-N5 DIV9).

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